

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:	)		SEP - 2 2006
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Filed: May 16, 2001	)	Group Art Unit: 1652	_

For: The FadD15 Gene of Corynebacterium glutamicum, Encoding an Acyl-CoA Synthase

Polypeptide (as amended)

## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2004 is due by September 16, 2004. Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed and fully responsive.

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 2004, kindly amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows: